Transfer of ONGC headquarters from Dehradun

2686. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ONGC is transferring its headquarters from Dehradun to any other place;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government as well as the public would face financial losses, if big companies like ONGC shifts its headquarters from Dehradun; and

(d) what are the steps Government are taking to safeguard the interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Burning of gas

2687. SHRI THANGA TAMIL SELVAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of wells where gas is being burnt;

(b) the quantum of gas burnt annually; and

(c) the steps taken to store the gas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL: (a) No natural gas is being flared at any well site of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC), Oil India Limited (OIL) and Private Companies/Joint Ventures (Pvt. Cos./ JVs). However, a small quantity of low pressure natural gas is being flared in the field installations of ONGC, OIL and Pvt. Cos./JVs in their operational areas located in Western offshore, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

(b) The quantum of gas flared by ONGC, OIL and Pvt. Cos./JVs during 2005-06 is as follows: